# Average Days from Assessment to First Treatment after Admission at (999) ACME Treatment Agency

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### **Report Description:**

#### About NIATx

This report is part of a group called the NIATx (Network for the Improvement of Addiction Treatment) Reports. NIATx works with addiction treatment providers to make more efficient use of their capacity and shares strategies for improving treatment access and retention. NIATx works with its member organizations and the field at large to improve treatment through organizational changes that address four aims:

- 1. To reduce the wait time between a client's first request for service and the first treatment session
- 2. To reduce client no-shows
- 3. To increase addiction treatment centers' admissions
- 4. To increase the treatment continuation rate between the first and the fourth treatment sessions

NIATx members create a culture of process improvement in which treatment center staff uses existing resources to improve services, learn innovative strategies through peer networking, and model organizational improvements in addiction treatment. For more information, visit: <a href="https://www.NIATx.net">www.NIATx.net</a>.

#### Current Report

The current report presents the aim of reduction in wait time for consumers entering **outpatient** treatment. The objective of this measure is to determine the amount of time from the consumer's first assessment appointment until the consumer's first post-admission treatment date. The information in this report is shown by month and broken out by satellite, age group and contract source.

#### Definitions

- Average Days represents the average number of days from assessment to first post-admission treatment for a given month in days.
- Assessments represents a count of all assessments for a given month.
- 1st Treatments represents a count of outpatient admissions that were followed by at least one post-admission treatment within 30 days.
- Days to First Treatment represents the number of episodes falling into each category of length of time between assessment and first post-admission treatment. For example, the first column labeled "Same Day" represents a count of all episodes in which the assessment and first service occurred on the same day.
- No Treatment indicates the number of assessments that were not followed by an admission and post-admission treatment.
- Percent represents the percent of assessments that became the first post-admission treatment:

#### Count of Treatments

Count of Assessments x 100

Unique Persons represents the number of individual consumers that were included in all episodes.

#### Notes

If only one contract source has been billed, then "All Contract Sources" will not appear.

An episode consists of an assessment, an admission and a post-admission treatment session within 30 days of admission that was not an assessment.

Drug Court clients have been excluded from the overall total for all contract sources because many agencies have court-imposed timelines and very little control over the admission process. However, data for the Drug Court contract source is included where there was an assessment, admission and a first service under the Drug Court contract source.

## **Average Days from Assessment to First Treatment after Admission**

Agency: (999) ACME Treatment Agency

**Contract Source: () All Contract Sources (except Drug Court)** 

Satellite: () All Satellites Age Group: All Ages

Month	Average Days	Assessments	1st Treatments	Days to First Treatment						No		Unique
				Same Day	1-7	8-14	15-30	31-45	46-60	Treatment	Percent	Persons
Jul-07	6	209	197	100	34	15	48	0	0	12	94.3	209
Aug-07	8	221	196	67	39	38	52	0	0	25	88.7	221
Sep-07	9	168	148	42	36	19	51	0	0	20	88.1	168
Oct-07	7	180	171	46	44	49	31	1	0	9	95.0	180
Nov-07	7	161	151	32	62	42	14	1	0	10	93.8	161
Dec-07	6	100	96	19	49	20	8	0	0	4	96.0	100
Jan-08	7	173	166	29	80	33	20	4	0	7	96.0	173
Feb-08	7	160	151	21	58	56	14	2	0	9	94.4	160
Mar-08	6	178	172	41	83	27	21	0	0	6	96.6	178
Apr-08	7	196	185	38	84	34	28	1	0	11	94.4	196
May-08	7	167	159	37	65	35	20	2	0	8	95.2	167
Jun-08	4	204	196	55	113	20	8	0	0	8	96.1	204

